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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

By Electronic Submission

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on April 26, 2011. A request for a two-month Extension of Time is believed necessary to make this response timely. Please deduct the necessary fees from deposit account no. 50-3746 in the name of Archer Daniels Midland Company. A declaration pursuant to § 1.132 is also submitted herewith. Reconsideration of the pending claims as submitted with the present response is respectfully requested.

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